TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 240 - SB 489

April 9, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) to assist and contract with local governmental entities for the purposes of developing reentry programs to effectively reduce recidivism rates. Authorizes counties to enter into interlocal agreements for the joint development or operation of a transition center. Takes effect January 1, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (005201, 006815): Amendment 005201 deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that the substantive change removes portions of the original language authorizing the TBR to assist and contract with local governmental entities for the purpose of developing reentry programs.

Amendment 006815 deletes and replaces language of amendment 005201 such that the only substantive change authorizes a transition center to partner with a nonprofit organization that provides programming designed to reduce recidivism.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Any action taken by a county to contract with the state to house state convicted felons in a transition center or to participate in offering such programs is permissive.
- The proposed legislation may result in an increase in local government expenditures with an equal corresponding increase in local revenue for jointly developed transition centers.
- The net impact to local government resulting from authorizing a county to enter into an interlocal agreement or nonprofit organization partnership for the joint development or operation of a transition center is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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